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1. Partial local support is available for junior scientists at the Nuclear Chemistry Gordon Research Conference, June 15-20, 2008, Colby Sawyer College, New London, NH, USA 2. Carl Storm International Diversity Fellowship

Dear colleagues

My apology in advance to those who receive multiple copies of this message in our effort to reach everyone in the community. Please share this information with interested colleagues especially students and postdocs who may not be in any of the mailing lists I use.

The 2008 Nuclear Chemistry Gordon Research Conference will be held on the campus of Colby-Sawyer College, June 15-20, 2008. A detailed program is listed in http://grc.org/programs.aspx?year=2008&program=nuchem. Our program focuses on eight topics in heavy ion reactions that have made a lot of progress recently. The selected topics are listed below. The co-chairs, who also will be the discussion leaders of the sessions, are listed in parenthesis. Cross-fertilization between different research topics will be stressed.

New opportunities in nuclear reactions (Sobotka & Senger)
Direct reactions (Blumenfeld & Kemper)
Subbarrier fusion, fission, surrogate reactions (Shapira & Berstein)
Fragmentation/multifragmentation (Benlliure & Gulminelli)
Properties of asymmetric nuclear matter (Di Toro, Yennello)
Symmetry Energy and Astrophysics (Horowitz, Garg)
Reaction Dynamics (Lacey & Ono)
Particle Correlations (Danielewicz & Bellwied)

In addition to the above eight sessions, there will be poster sessions organized to allow participation in the meeting by interested attendees. Two winners of the poster sessions will be selected to give short presentations of their work in the special Thursday evening session, which features Prof. Manuela Veloso of Carnegie Mellon University who will talk about Intelligence of Team Robots. You may have seen her appearance in the PBS (Public Broadcasting Service) series on RoboCup. If you are interested to present a poster, please submit the title of the poster in your application form. We will contact you with details about the poster sessions.

The application deadline is May 25. However, due to space limitation, the conference site can only accommodate 120 attendees. We have already reached the half-way mark. If you would like to attend the Conference, please do not hesitate and apply on-line at http://grc.org/application.aspx?id=8543. Partial local support is available for junior scientists especially graduate students and postdocs attending the meeting. Please email me if you would like to receive such support. The funds are limited and will be awarded based on first-come first-serve after the applicant is accepted to attend the conference.

If you know of anyone who may be qualified for the Carl Storm International Diversity Fellowship program (see attached announcement), please send me the name of the person before March 23, 2008 so that I can nominate the candidate in a timely manner.

Looking forward to seeing you in June, Betty Tsang Chair, Gordon Conference on Nuclear Chemistry 2008

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